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Preface

This is the first edition of CSA TS-226, *Geological storage of carbon dioxide — Measurement, monitoring, and verification plans*. This Technical Specification (herein referred to as “this Document”) is not a consensus project; that is, it is not a Standard and it has not been formally approved by a Technical Committee.

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0 Introduction

It is broadly recognized that the geological storage of carbon dioxide (CO₂) is a key means of reducing anthropogenic emissions of CO₂ to the atmosphere, thereby reducing the increase of atmospheric CO₂ concentrations. To advance the use of the geological storage of CO₂ in accordance with CSA Z741, monitoring and verification programs are a required element in the development of a storage project. To provide confidence to, and acceptance by, regulators, stakeholders, CO₂ capture project and transport operators, and carbon offset crediting agencies, preparation of measurement, monitoring, and verification (MMV) plans are necessary to detail the efforts the storage project proponents will use to

- a) assist in managing health, safety, and environmental risks by demonstrating containment of injected CO₂ providing confidence that CO₂ emission reductions are real and permanent; and
- b) assess storage performance.

The goal of this Document is to provide guidance to geological CO₂ storage project operators on the preparation and maintenance of MMV plans throughout the life of the project, from initial project site selection to its ultimate closure. Regulators and stakeholders, including agencies administering offset credits, may also benefit from this Document to ensure the project meets the goals stated above.

1 Scope

1.1 General

This Document provides recommendations and guidance on preparing and maintaining measurement, monitoring, and verification plans for the geological storage of CO₂ streams in accordance with CSA Z741, regardless of whether the project is located onshore or offshore. While not intended for storage associated with enhanced oil recovery using CO₂ injection, the Technical Specification could be useful for those projects.

1.2 Inclusions

In addition to CSA Z741, this Document may be applicable for use with ISO 27914. This Document is applicable to projects that are located in onshore or offshore environments.

1.3 Exclusions

This Document is not meant to apply to the storage of CO₂ associated with CO₂-EOR. However, as shown by Annex B, the use of MMV plans might be required by regulators and therefore this Document may be used by project proponents, regulators, and interested parties in those situations.